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To: Delta Protection Commission

From: Margit Aramburu, Executive Director

Subject: Report on Staff Activities

Y2K: The Commission's office and equipment survived the transition to the year 2000 with no problems.

Lease: The Commission now has a three year lease for the existing offices at \$500 per month; the landlady will now provide trash service and hot water.

Reprinting the Plan: The staff will be taking the Plan to be reprinted next week; the Plan is currently out of print.

Legislation: Two legislative proposals have been submitted: delete term limits and legislatively exempt the Land Use Plan from processing as regulations. There is support for the first proposal, but issues have been raised about the second proposal by Department of Finance and by Office of Administrative Law.

FY 2000-2001 Budget: The Governor has included funds to allow the Commission to contract with the State Lands Commission to provide administrative and fiscal services. A proposed contract will be presented to the Commission at the next meeting. The proposed budget includes \$339,000 from two special funds for FY 2000-20001.

CALFED:

- I have attended two Policy Group meetings, representing the Commission, and several Management Team meetings (every Tuesday morning).
- I have participated in two special CALFED advisory groups: Long-Term Water Management Strategy and an Ecosystem Restoration Plan Focus Group.

- Staff has continued to attend other CALFED meetings including: North Delta Improvements; Levees and Channels; South Delta Improvements; Ecosystem Roundtable, Cosumnes-Mokelumne Watershed Alliance; Veale-Byron Tract Work Group; Governance; Public Affairs; and Lower Mokelumne Watershed Work Group.
- Staff has continued to participate in the Ad Hoc Recreation Group, working toward developing recreation concepts to pass on to CALFED for incorporation into the program implementation.